

City of Wood Village

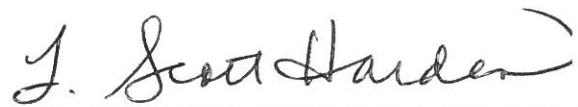
Proclamation

Whereas, As elected officials we take an oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States. Failing to speak out about the January 6th attack on the US Capitol Building would be a failure to observe that oath. The attack, perpetrated by domestic terrorists, armed criminals and white supremacists was a planned and coordinated attempt to overturn and invalidate the 2020 election. It was an overthrow attempt. The terrorists were clearly equipped to take hostages and they planned on attacking the Vice President and the Speaker of the House. They posed a clear and present danger to everyone in the building and to the way elections are run in the United States.

Whereas, Today, the Mayor and Council of Wood Village, Oregon proclaim that we will keep our oath and uphold the constitution. The attack was not a protected protest. It was a violent coup that we condemn. We also condemn the notion that the 2020 election was illegitimate. We condemn the plans these terrorists have to disrupt the inauguration and potentially attack state capitals including Salem. We cannot and will not remain silent.

Whereas, The 2020 election brought Wood Village our first Latino councilor when the voters chose Jairo Rios-Campos for Council Position 2. The 2020 election brought Oregon a record number of Legislators who are persons of color, a legislature that is half women. The 2020 election was legitimate. We ask you to join us in condemning the attempt to overthrow our country. We ask you to join us in declaring the legitimacy of the 2020 election. We ask you to join us in the belief that terror and white supremacy are not American values and are not protected by the constitution.

Given under my hand and Seal of the
City of Wood Village, Oregon, this 14th day of January 2021

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "T. Scott Harden". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the signature is a horizontal line.

Mayor: T. Scott Harden